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IN RE:

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 156

CELLULAR TELEPHONES, PAGERS AND LAPTOP COMPUTERS

ORDER

It is hereby ORDERED that cellular telephones, pagers, and laptop computers are prohibited on the floors of the Courthouse and Annex occupied by the Court UNLESS such devices have first been examined through x-ray machines at the entrances to the building and cleared and/or subjected to visual inspection by designated security officers. Provided the cellular telephones, pagers, and laptop computers have been properly cleared, the devices may be used only in the public corridors, attorney conference room, and other designated areas.

No such devices shall be allowed inside any courtroom or judge's chambers unless they are turned off and rendered unable to transmit or record any sound, vibration, image, or photograph. Attorneys or their designated technical assistants may be allowed to use laptop computers in the courtroom with the express permission of the judge. No such devices shall be allowed inside any petit jury room or grand jury room, except with permission of the Court. Assistant United States Attorneys may use laptop computers in the presentation of evidence to the grand jury.

This Administrative Order supersedes and renders null and void Administrative Order No. 156, entered by the Court on July 1, 2000.

It is so ORDERED.

ROBERT L. ECHOLS

Chief U.S. District Judge

TODD J. CAMPBELL

United States District Judge

ALETA A. TRAUGER

United States District Madge

WILLIAM J. HAYNES, J

United States District Judge